

Business Operations
Ofelia San Pedro, Deputy Superintendent

**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF POOL OF PRE-QUALIFIED CONSULTANTS,
PURSUANT TO REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. 090-HH10 -
PROGRAM EVALUATION CONSULTANT SERVICES**

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

**LINK TO DISTRICT
STRATEGIC PLAN: IMPROVE AND EXPAND STUDENT SERVICES**

Request For Proposals No. 090-HH10 – PROGRAM EVALUATION CONSULTANT SERVICES, is to develop a pool of pre-qualified consultants, to conduct needs assessments, develop evaluation plans and research design, collect and analyze data, interpret results, and prepare recommendations and reports, on an as-needed basis, for the Office of Program Evaluation. The external program evaluation services to be provided to the District under this contract will be funded through grant funds, as identified and required through the granting agency. This is a term proposal. Twenty-three (23) proposers responded to this advertised solicitation.

This contract provides for the required identification of external evaluators, for submission and evaluation of grants, and for a method to augment in-house evaluation resources to the District. A meeting of the selection committee to evaluate proposals received in response to the Request For Proposals was held on July 30, 2008. Twenty-three (23) proposals were presented for consideration: Adela Beckerman; Agnes E. Shine; American Institute for Research; Dr. Barry Greenberg; Dr. Billy F. Birnie; Biscayne Research Group, Inc.; Counseling and Educational Consulting, Inc., d.b.a. Research & Evaluation Network.; Escoffery Consulting Collaborative, Inc.; Educational Research Services, Inc.; Edvantia, Inc.; Empirical Education, Inc.; Evergreen Educational Consulting, LLC; Evergreen Solutions; The Findings Group; Florida State University; Gibson Consulting Group; Hank Sarkis; Hezel Associates, LLC; Justice Research Center; Laura Ferrer-Wreder; Learning Point Associates; Progress Education Corporation; and WestEd.

After significant discussion, the committee recommended that all proposals presented be accepted, to develop a pool of consultants. As specific evaluation projects arise, consultants identified as having specific expertise will be contacted, to determine their interest in conducting the evaluation. If interested, the consultant will submit a proposal for an evaluation plan for review by the Office of Program Evaluation staff and program stakeholders.

In the event that a contractual agreement between the consultant and the Board is deemed necessary for a specific project, staff will negotiate the terms, conditions, cost, etc., as determined to be in the best interest of the District, which will be reviewed by the Board Attorney for legal sufficiency and content.

Fund Source

0420 – Contracted Programs Fund

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, **APPROVE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. 090-HH10 – PROGRAM EVALUATION CONSULTANT SERVICES**, to develop a pool of pre-qualified consultants, to conduct needs assessments, develop evaluation plans and research design, collect and analyze data, interpret results, and prepare recommendations and reports, on an as-needed basis, for the Office of Program Evaluation, effective September 10, 2008, through September 9, 2011, as follows:

1. ADELA BECKERMAN
3203 DOW STREET
POMPANO BEACH, FL 33062
OWNER: ADELA BECKERMAN, CONSULTANT
2. AGNES E. SHINE
2751 S. OCEAN DRIVE, APT. 1406N
HOLLYWOOD, FL 33019
OWNER: AGNES SHINE
3. AMERICAN INSTITUTES FOR RESEARCH
1000 THOMAS JEFFERSON STREET, NW
WASHINGTON, DC 20007-3835
OWNER: MARK KUTNER, VICE PRESIDENT
4. BARRY GREENBERG
8645 S.W. 79 PLACE
MIAMI, FL 33143
OWNER: BARRY GREENBERG, PRESIDENT

5. BILLY F. BIRNIE
33 WAGON ROAD
ALPINE, TX 79831
OWNER: DR. BILLY F. BIRNIE, CONSULTANT
6. BISCAYNE RESEARCH GROUP, INC.
1460 OCEAN DRIVE, SUITE 306
MIAMI BEACH, FL 33139
OWNER: W.F. YOUNKIN, PRESIDENT
7. COUNSELING AND EDUCATIONAL CONSULTING, INC.
D.B.A. RESEARCH AND EVALUATION NETWORK
595 N.E. 92 STREET
MIAMI SHORES, FL 33138
OWNER: JAMES PANN, PH.D., CO-DIRECTOR
8. ESCOFFERY CONSULTING COLLABORATIVE
7310 S.W. 96 STREET
MIAMI, FL 33156
OWNER: LORNA ESCOFFERY, PRESIDENT
9. EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH SERVICES, INC.
601 N.E. 36 STREET, SUITE 709
MIAMI, FL 33137
OWNER: MARJORIE MONTAGUE, PH.D., PRESIDENT
10. EDVANTIA, INC.
1031 QUARRIER STREET
CHARLESTON, WV 25325
OWNER: DORIS REDFIELD, PRESIDENT/C.E.O.
11. EMPIRICAL EDUCATION, INC.
425 SHERMAN AVENUE, SUITE 210
PALO ALTO, CA 94306
OWNER: DENIS B. NEWMAN, PRESIDENT
12. EVERGREEN EDUCATIONAL CONSULTING, LLC
16 BRADLEY BOW ROAD
JERICHO, VT 05465
OWNER: PATRICIA H. MUELLER, PRESIDENT

13. EVERGREEN SOLUTIONS, LLC
2852 REMINGTON GREEN CIRCLE, SUITE 101
TALLAHASSEE, FL 32308
OWNER: DR. LINDA RECIO, PRESIDENT
14. THE FINDINGS GROUP
1031 N. HILLS DRIVE
DECATUR, GA 30033
OWNER: THOMAS MCKLIN, PH.D., PRESIDENT
15. FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
SPONSORED RESEARCH SERVICES
874 TRADITIONS WAY, 3RD FLOOR
TALLAHASSEE, FL 32306-4166
OWNER: KIRBY W. KEMPER
VICE PRESIDENT FOR RESEARCH
16. GIBSON CONSULTING GROUP
901 SOUTH MOPAC EXPRESSWAY
BUILDING ONE, SUITE 415
AUSTIN, TX 78746
OWNER: GREG GIBSON, PRESIDENT
17. HANK SARKIS
2421 N.E. 33 STREET
LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FL 33064
OWNER: HANK SARKIS, CONSULTANT
18. HEZEL ASSOCIATES, LLC
731 JAMES STREET
SYRACUSE, NY 13203
OWNER: DR. RICHARD T. HEZEL, PRESIDENT/C.E.O.
19. JUSTICE RESEARCH CENTER, INC.
2898 MAHAN DRIVE, SUITE 4
TALLAHASSEE, FL 32308
OWNER: JULIA L. BLANKENSHIP, PRESIDENT
20. LAURA FERRER-WREDER
9021 S.W. 142 AVENUE, SUITE 1611
MIAMI, FL 33186
OWNER: LAURA FERRER-WREDER
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PSYCHOLOGY

21. LEARNING POINT ASSOCIATES
1120 EAST DIEHL ROAD, SUITE 200
NAPERVILLE, IL 60563-1486
OWNER: ROBERT DAVIS, C.E.O.
22. PROGRESS EDUCATION CORPORATION
110 BISHOP QUARTER LANE
OAK PARK, IL 60302
OWNER: TOM JANDRIS, C.E.O.
23. WESTED
730 HARRISON STREET
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94107
OWNER: PAUL MARTINEZ
CONTRACTS ADMINISTRATOR
24. Authorize Procurement Management Services to purchase
up to the estimated amount of \$1,000,000.

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